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**FOURTH STATUS INQUIRY**

The above-referenced application was filed on **January 31, 2001**. Applicant has received the filing postcard receipt, official Filing Receipt, and Assignment Recordation information from the United States Patent and Trademark Office. However, Applicant has received no communication from the USPTO concerning examination of this matter.

On July 9 and 10, 2002, Rhonda McGee, a Paralegal of this firm, contacted Mrs. Graham, a supervisor in Group Art Unit 3651 at the USPTO, inquiring as to the status of this case. Mrs. Graham indicated that this application appears to be active, is in the pre-exam stage, and has not yet been assigned to an Examiner. Mrs. Graham was unable to locate the file as it was "in transit." She recommended that Applicant file a Status Inquiry in order to obtain specific information as to the status of this application. Applicant has filed Status Inquiries on February 18, 2002, July 10, 2002, and September 16, 2002. In response to Applicant's Third Status Inquiry, the USPTO advised via voice message to the undersigned that examination should be completed sometime between September 27, 2002, and December 27, 2002. To date, Applicant has received no communication from the Examiner concerning examination of this matter, and is therefore filing its Fourth Status Inquiry.

Applicant respectfully requests that information regarding the status of this application be communicated to the undersigned attorney.

Respectfully submitted,

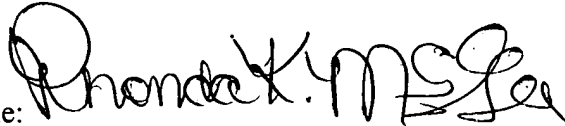


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